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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Yoji NAKATANI et al.

Serial No.: 10/766,022

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For: STORAGE SYSTEM AND FILE-REFERENCE METHOD OF  
REMOTE-SITE STORAGE SYSTEM

Group: 2187

Examiner: J. D. Diller

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

**MS Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

June 21, 2006

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 21, 2006, please amend  
the above-identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims**

**Remarks** are included following the amendments.